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For: A Continuous Process for Making an Aqueous Hydrocarbon Fuel Emulsion



**INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT**  
**UNDER 37 C.F.R §§ 1.97 and 1.98**

Commissioner of Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

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